

ATTACHMENT - SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Please replace the paragraph at page 1, lines 6-7 with the following amended paragraph.

The present invention relates to a display and distribution packaging unit for eggs or similar fragile articles ~~and of the kind set forth in claim 1.~~

Please replace the paragraph at page 7, lines 21-22 with the following amended paragraph.

Figure 2a is a top view and Figure 2b is a bottom view of the above embodiment of a packaging unit according to the invention;

Please replace the paragraph at page 7, lines 24-25 with the following amended paragraphs.

Figures 3a-~~3d~~ to 3e show ~~one various embodiments~~ embodiment of the packaging unit according to the invention, in which Figure 3a is a front elevational view; Figure 3b is a back elevational view; Figure 3c is one side view; and Figure 3d is the other side view;

Figures 4a-4c show another embodiment of the packaging unit according to the invention, in which Figure 4a is a top view; Figure 4b is a front elevational view; and Figure 4c is a side elevational view;

Figures 5a-5e show another embodiment of the packaging unit according to the invention, in which Figure 5a is a top view; Figure 5b is a bottom view; Figure 5c is a front elevational view; Figure 5d is a rear elevational view; and Figure 5e is a side elevational view;

Figures 6a-6c show another embodiment of the packaging unit according to the invention, in which 6a is a top view; 6b is a front elevational view; and Figure 6c is a side elevational view;

Figure 7 shows yet another embodiment of the packaging unit as a front elevational view;

Please replace the paragraph at page 7, lines 27-28 with the following amended paragraph.

Figure-4 8 shows an embodiment of the packaging unit according to the invention in an open state;

Please replace the paragraph at page 7, line 30 with the following amended paragraph.

Figure-5 9 shows the embodiment of Figure-4 8 in the closed state; and

Please replace the paragraph at page 7, lines 32-33 with the following amended paragraph.

Figure-6 10 shows a cross-section through the bottom part of the unit with eggs inserted in compartments hereof.

Please replace the paragraph at page 8, lines 27-29 with the following amended paragraph.

According to one embodiment of the invention, portions 6' of the flap 6 may be formed in such a manner that they constitute a part of the walls of the adjacent compartments of the unit. This embodiment is shown in detail in Figure-4 8.

Please replace the paragraph at page 8, line 31-page 9, line 6 with the following amended paragraph.

The cover part 3 according to the embodiment shown in Figure 1 comprises essentially two different portions, i.e. a central portion, the shape of which to some extent resembles the shape of a box and comprising a substantially planar top face 10, substantially planar front and rear faces 14, 15 and substantially planar end faces 20 (see for instance ~~Figure 3a ff.~~ Figures 3a-3d, 4a-4c, 5a-5e, 6a-6c, 7). The front face is provided with an aperture 9, the position, shape and size of which corresponds to the protrusion 7 on the flexible flap 6 of the bottom part 2. The front face 14 being flexible makes it is possible to close the cover part 3, whereby the protrusion 7 will be brought into engagement with the aperture 9. Pulling along the edge portion of the front face 14, it is possible to bring the protrusion 7 out of engagement with the aperture 9, whereupon the packaging unit can be opened.

Please replace the paragraph at page 10, lines 20-33 with the following amended paragraph.

Referring to Figures 3a through ~~3e~~ 7, there are shown various embodiments of the packaging unit according to the invention. In the ~~varying~~ varying embodiments, the ovoid portions of the cover part, ~~i.e., i.e.~~ the curved wall portions 8, extend from end faces of the packaging unit which are either longer or shorter than the front face 14 and the rear face 15. Specifically, ~~Figure~~ Figures 3a-3d ~~shows~~ show a packaging unit of the same basic form as shown in Figure 1 comprising six compartments 4 for eggs. ~~Figure 3b shows~~ Figures 4a-4c show an embodiment comprising three rows each containing three compartments 4. ~~Figure 3c shows~~ Figures 5a-5e show a unit comprising two rows

of five compartments 4 and ~~Figure 3d shows~~ Figures 6a-6c show a unit comprising three rows of five compartments 4. In ~~Figure 3e~~ 7, there is finally shown a side elevation view of the packaging unit shown in ~~Figure 3e~~ Figures 5a-5e. As indicated by reference number 16, the front face 14 of the cover part 3 can also be subdivided into two portions 14' and 14" if desired, each of these portions 14', 14" being provided with openings 9 for similarly placed protrusions 7 on the bottom part 2 of the unit. It is understood that instead of using two openings and corresponding protrusions as shown in ~~Figures 3d~~ 6a through ~~3e~~ 7, it is also possible to use other numbers of openings and protrusions, as for instance only one as shown in Figures 1 through ~~3b~~ 4c.

Please replace the paragraph at page 11, lines 1-2 with the following amended paragraph.

A number of further important features of the packaging unit according to the invention are apparent from Figures 3a through ~~5~~ 9.

Please replace the paragraph at page 11, lines 4-12 with the following amended paragraph.

Referring for instance to the two lower side elevation views of ~~Figure~~ Figures 3a-3d, the interface 21 between the bottom part 2 and the cover part 3 inclines downwardly from the rear face 15 towards the front face 14 of the cover part. As mentioned above, the effect of this is at least twofold: it increases the area of the front face 14 of the cover part 3, thus increasing the possibility to attach for instance labels etc. to this and in the open state of the unit, it increases the part of the eggs in the front row of compartments 4, which can be seen on opening the unit. The interface 21 is shown as slightly curved

from the rear towards the front face of the cover part, but other shapes could of course also be envisaged.

Please replace the paragraph at page 11, lines 20-26 with the following amended paragraph.

As shown in Figure-6 10, the internal surface of the compartments 4 is formed to provide support for the eggs 25 housed therein. Thus, the internal surfaces of the compartments correspond to a portion of the surface of the eggs, typically at least 60% of the surface of the eggs housed within the compartments. According to the shown embodiment, the compartments 4 are also provided with support structures 26 for the lower ends of the eggs, thereby providing further support for the eggs housed within the compartments 4.